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MEMORANDUM FOR:

[Redacted]  
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SUBJECT : Silent 70 Terminal

Listed below are some of our reactions to the Silent 70 terminal.

a. The quietness of the machine appeals to us very much. We work in an area which has 22 people in one room. Replacing the 2741 with the Silent 70 would improve the noise level considerably.

b. The speed of the printout is also very appealing. Because of the time and effort expended in obtaining printout made at the computer, it is to our advantage to have more printout done at the terminal.

c. Although the quality of the paper and printing is not so good as on the present equipment, it is felt that this is not a major disadvantage to us. In the type of work done on the present system, we need hard but only temporary printout.

d. The reliability of the 2741 has been excellent so far. We did have trouble with the previous terminal, the DATEL. Its reliability (i.e., hardware problems in the DATEL itself) was



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so poor that it became an almost useless machine. We would like to be assured that the Silent 70 is a relatively reliable machine. Of course, it is realized that this cannot be known before the Agency obtains them, but we would like to see inquiries made to other customers of T. I. on their experiences with the Silent 70.

e. Five TAD users of the 360-67 saw the Silent 70 demonstration and all had favorable reactions.



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